

paragraphs:

~~As illustrated in Fig. 1, a carrying handle, shown generally as 60, has a first strap 64 having a first end 68 and a second end 70. The first end 68 is operatively secured to the outer member 34 at location 72. The second end 70 is formed into a loop, which is adapted to receive a first ring-shaped strap-connecting member 76.~~

The carrying handle 60 includes a second strap 90 which, in this embodiment, is formed into a open loop member which is operatively secured at a first end 92 to the outer member 34 at a selected location on the outer member 34. The open loop strap 90 has a second end 79 which is operatively connected to the strap connecting member 76 to form a carrying handle for carrying and transporting the bag and which permits relative movement of the strap connecting member 76 within the open loop strap 90. A connecting member 78 is operatively connected to the second end 79 and a hook 80 is operatively connected to connecting member 78.

Please replace the Paragraphs beginning at line 8 of Page 22 and ending at line 3 of Page 23 with the following rewritten

paragraphs:

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*Jb*  
Fig. 30 illustrates a circular shaped ball bag 740, which is a variation of Fig. 14 with the addition of a ruggedized carrier, comprising an outer member 742 having an opening 746 extending in a selected direction on the outer member wherein a portion of the opening is at least substantially perpendicular to the handle 748 including a fastening member 752, e.g., a zipper, operatively connected to the opening, and a ruggedized carrier shown generally as 750.

Fig. 31 is a front elevational view of still yet another embodiment of a circular shaped ball bag 760 comprising a variation of Fig. 12 with the addition of a ruggedized carrier. The ball bag 760 comprising an outer member 762 having an opening 766 extending in a selected direction on the outer member 762 wherein a portion of the opening 766 is at least substantially perpendicular to the handle 768 wherein the opening 766 includes a fastening member, e.g., a zipper 772, operatively connected to the opening 766 and a ruggedized carrier 770.

Fig. 32 is a front elevational view of still yet another embodiment of a football shaped ball bag 780 comprising a variation of Fig. 8 with the addition of a ruggedized carrier.

The football shaped ball bag 780 comprising an outer member 782 having an opening 786 extending in a selected direction on the outer member 782, similar to the location of the fastener 152 in Figs. 8 and 9, wherein a portion of the opening 786 is at least substantially perpendicular to the handle 788 wherein the opening 786 includes a fastening member, e.g., a zipper 792, operatively connected to the opening 786 and a ruggedized carrier 790.

IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1, 18, 21 and 23 have been written as follows:

SUB C<sup>1</sup>  
1. (Twice Amended) A bag for carrying a ball wherein said bag includes a an outer member defining an interior and an exterior surface configured in the shape of a ball and having an opening positioned therein for inserting and removing a ball from the outer member, said bag comprising  
a carrying handle operatively connected in a predetermined position to said outer member at a location other than the